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## Title

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Kurganov et al.

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Serial No.: 09/777,406

Group Art: 2661

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Title: PERSONAL VOICE-BASED  
INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEM

**DECLARATION OF DAMIEN HUGHES**

I, Damien Hughes, declare as follows:

1. I am an employee of Jenkins & Gilchrist. I am a clerk in the Offices Services Department of the Chicago Office.

2. One of my daily responsibilities is to gather all Express Mail packages for the day and deliver them to the U.S. Post Office.

3. The normal procedure of the Office Services Department is to gather all Express Mail packages by 5:00 p.m. These packages are then taken to the U.S. Post Office location known as the "Loop Station" at 211 S. Clark St., Chicago, Illinois 60604, which is only about 6 blocks from our offices. Typically, the delivery to this Post Office is done around 5:45 p.m.

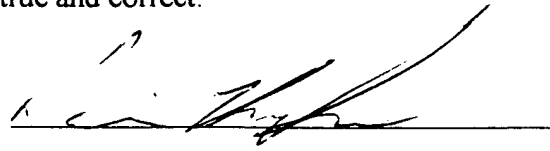
4. On rare occasions, I deliver packages to the U.S. Post Office location known as the "Chicago Central Facility" located at 433 W. Harrison St. Chicago, Illinois 60607. I only take mail packages to this location if the Loop Station location has closed, which occurs at 6:00 p.m. The Chicago Central Facility Post Office location is nearly two miles away from our offices.

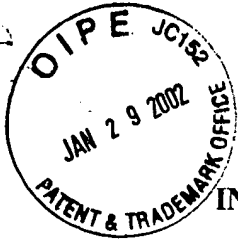
5. I signed the "Certificate of Mailing" on the cover page of the application with Attorney Docket No. 47242-00028USPT which is attached as Exhibit 1 to this Declaration. I also signed the "Certificate of Mailing" for the "Patent Application Transmittal Letter" for Attorney Docket No. 47242-00028USPT which is attached as Exhibit 2 of this Declaration. I have been informed that this application has been assigned application serial number 09/777,406 by the U.S. Patent Office.

6. While I do not specifically recall depositing this application (Attorney Docket No. 47242-00028USPT) with the U.S. Post Office, I do recall receiving several patent applications from Russell Genet on February 5, 2001 for deposit with the U.S. Post Office. I also note that both Certificates of Mailing which I signed indicate that the documents were deposited on February 5, 2001.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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**DECLARATION OF RUSSELL J. GENET**

I, Russell J. Genet, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney of record for the above referenced patent application ("the '406 application").
2. On February 5, 2001, I completed preparation of the '406 application. This application was assigned document control number 152851 by the document management program used by Jenkins & Gilchrist, known as iManage. Exh. 1. The document history report for the application (with document control no. 152851) generated by iManage also indicates that this application was printed by me ("RGENET") on February 5, 2001 at 4:50 p.m. Exh. 2.
3. Also on February 5, 2001, I completed two additional patent applications for the same Applicant, Alexander Kurganov. These applications have serial numbers 09/777,025 ("the '025 application") and 09/776,996 ("the '996 application").
4. The '025 application has iManage document control number 153059 and the iManage document history report indicates this document was printed by me ("RGENET") at 5:04 p.m. on February 5, 2001. Exh. 3.
5. The '996 application has iManage document control number 155909 and the iManage document history report indicates this document was printed by me ("RGENET") at 4:48 p.m. on February 5, 2001. Exh. 4.

6. After completing all three of these applications on February 5, 2001, I printed the applications (as indicated above), gathered all of the necessary filing papers (including the specification, claims, and drawings), placed them on top of an unsealed Express Mail package along with an Express Mail mailing label, and gave the documents to Damien Hughes and Rick Ampey, clerks within Jenkins & Gilchrist's Office Services Department, for mailing to the U.S. Patent Office.

7. The '025 application and the '996 application were both accorded a filing date of February 5, 2001. Exh. 5. However, the '406 application was initially given a filing date of February 6, 2001. Exh. 6.

8. On May 15, 2001, I requested a corrected filing receipt to correct the filing date of the '406 application from February 6<sup>th</sup> to February 5<sup>th</sup>. Exh. 7.

9. In response, on May 29<sup>th</sup>, a "Corrected Filing Receipt" was received from the Patent Office changing the filing date to February 5<sup>th</sup>. Exh. 8.

10. Several days later, on June 5, 2001, an "Updated Filing Receipt" was received from the U.S. Patent Office in which the filing date had been changed back to February 6, 2001. Exh. 9.

11. In another attempt to clarify the filing date, on June 12, 2001, I submitted another request to the Patent Office requesting the filing date be changed back to February 5<sup>th</sup> as had been done with the Corrected Filing Receipt received on May 29<sup>th</sup>. Exh. 10.

12. By August, no response had been received from the Patent Office. So, on August 9, 2001, I requested my secretary to telephone the Office of Initial Examination to obtain an update on the status of our last request. A Ms. Evans from this Department indicated the Patent Office would not change the filing date unless Applicants could produce a copy of the Express Mail Receipt related to the '406 application. It was not until after this conversation that it was realized that the Express Mail Receipt for the '406 application was missing.

13. With the help of Jim Sklena, Supervisor of the Office Services Department in Jenkins & Gilchrist's Chicago Office, we attempted to obtain a copy of the Express Mail Receipt for the '406 application from the U.S. Post Office. We contacted Post Offices in both Chicago and Washington, D.C. Unfortunately, none of these Post Offices were able to find such documentation.

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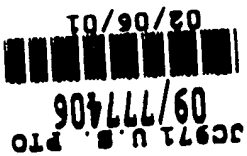
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- 1) Transmittal Letter (in duplicate)
- 2) Specification, claims & abstract (24 pages)
- 3) Drawings (5 pages)
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